April 9
to May 6, 2002

# Yosemite National Park

#### **Important Phone Numbers**

**Emergency** 911 (from hotel room 9-911)

Road and Weather/General Park Information 209/372-0200

**Campground Reservations** 800/436-7275

**Shuttle Bus Route** 

Shuttle Bus Only

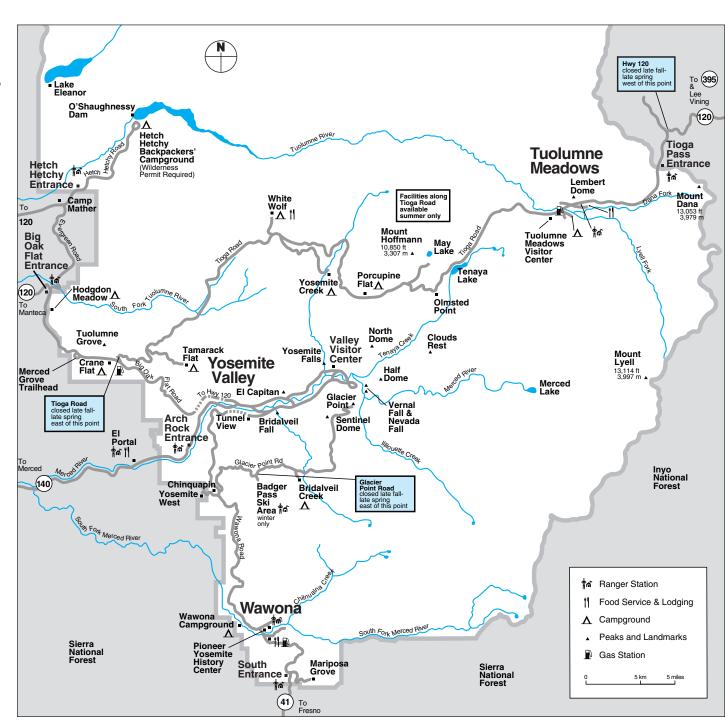
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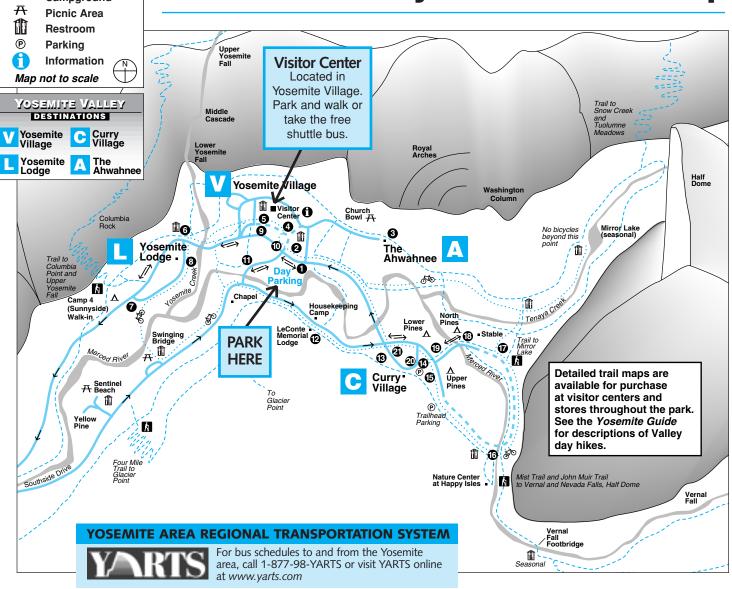
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**Lodging Reservations** 559/252-4848



# Hiking Trail Bike Path Campground Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus Map





# Ride the Free Yosemite Valley Shuttle Bus

Schedules and routes may vary.
Shuttle buses operate daily at 20-minute intervals, except during early morning and late evening hours when intervals may be 25 minutes. All buses follow the same route, serving stops in numerical order.

# **SCHEDULE** 7:00 a.m. -10:00 p.m.

- 1 Yosemite Village/Day Parking
- 2 Yosemite Village
- 3 The Ahwahnee
- 4 Yosemite Village/Degnan's Complex
- 5 Visitor Center
- 6 Lower Yosemite Fall Service ends at 7:30 p.m.
- 7 Camp 4/Yosemite Falls Trailhead
- 8 Yosemite Lodge
- 9 Visitor Center
- 10 Yosemite Village
- 11 Sentinel Bridge/Yosemite Chapel
- Housekeeping Camp/ LeConte Memorial Lodge
- 13 Bicycle Rental Stand
- 4 Curry Village
- 15 Upper Pines Campground\*
- 16 Happy Isles/John Muir Trailhead\*
- 17 Mirror Lake Junction\*
- 18 Stable\*
- 19 Lower Pines Campground
- 20 Curry Village
- 21 Bicycle Rental Stand

\*Service ends at 8:30 p.m.

# Scheduled **Events**

**Programs** printed in color are especially for children and their families.

NPS = National **Park Service** AAG = The Ansel **Adams Gallery** YA = Yosemite **Association** YCS = Yosemite Concession Services \$ = Programs offered for a fee

**Yosemite Valley** 



**Indicates programs** and facilities accessible for visitors in wheelchairs, with assistance.

SUNDAY TUESDAY MONDAY

9:00am Photography Walk

2 hrs. Space limited, sign up in advance Meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch weather permitting (AAG)

10:00am Ranger Walk/Talk—Yosemite Inspirations

1-11/2 hrs. Meet at Tunnel View

Wawona Rd. (Hwy. 41)

1:00pm Ranger Walk—Yosemite's First People 1-11/2 hrs. Behind Valley Visitor Center &

8:00pm Film—Ansel Adams, Photographer 1 hr. Check local postings for venue (AAG) & 8:30am Camera Walk

2 hrs. Sign up/meet at The Ahwahnee

front desk (YCS)

10:00am Ranger Walk—Buffalo Soldiers in Yosemite

1-11/2 hrs. Valley Visitor Center &

5:30pm **Spring Twilight Stroll** 1 hr. The Ahwahnee outdoor patio (YCS)

8:00pm Evening Program

1 hr. Check local postings for venue (YCS/NPS) &

10:00am Ranger Walk—Rivers and Waterfalls

1-11/2 hrs. Sentinel Bridge, shuttle stop #11 &

5:00pm 75th Anniversary Ahwahnee Tour 1 hr. Sign up/meet at The Ahwahnee concierge desk

8:00pm Evening Program

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# **Celebrate Yosemite**

Earth Day, John Muir's Birthday, & the beginning of National Park Week

Join Yosemite National Park and its park partners in celebrating this grand place with a reekend of special walks, concerts, theater presentations, displays, and a stewardship project. Check local postings for event details.



Half Dome at Mirror Lake Photo by Chamberlin/Kodak

# **Yosemite** Today

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#### We're Interested

We are always looking for ways to improve our visitor publications. You can help by sending your comments via e-mail to Kristina\_Rylands@nps.gov or fax to 209/379-1294.

# Yosemite Valley

#### **Valley Visitor Center**

Open daily 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village just west of the main post office (shuttle stops #5 and #9). Information, maps, books, exhibits, and a multilingual One Day in Yosemite program. Wilderness permits available by self-registration. &

#### **Yosemite Museum**

Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. 🕭

#### **FEATURES**

**Museum Gallery** 

See posting on door for hours. Award-winning original artwork from the Yosemite Renaissance.

#### **Indian Cultural Exhibit**

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., closed for lunch. Displays interpret the cultural history of Yosemite's native Miwok and Paiute people from 1850 to the present. Demonstrations of basket-weaving, beadwork, and/or traditional games are presented.

#### The Indian Village of Ahwahnee

Located behind the Yosemite Museum and open during daylight hours. There is sometimes the opportunity to join Indian Cultural Program staff for demonstrations or programs about Ahwahneechee skills and culture. &

#### **Yosemite Cemetery**

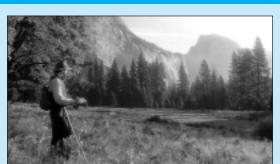
This historic cemetery is located across the street and just west of the Yosemite Museum. People buried here include Americans Indians and others who played an important role in the development of what is now Yosemite National Park. A Guide to the Yosemite Cemetery is available at the Valley Visitor Center.

#### The Ansel Adams Gallery

Open daily 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Located in Yosemite Village next to the Valley Visitor Center. The Gallery offers work of Ansel Adams, contemporary photographers, and other fine artists. In addition, a wide selection of handcrafts, books, gifts, and photography supplies is available. For more information, call the Gallery at 209/372-4413 or visit their web site at www.anseladams.com. &

#### **GALLERY EXHIBIT** Through May 15

Views of the West. The color landscape photography of Jack Dykinga, Pulitzer-prize winning photographer. The exhibit includes breathtaking images of mountains, deserts, and oceans of the western



"Spirit of Yosemite" – a new state-of-the-art visitor orientation film Photo by Greystone Films

#### **NEW FEATURE Connect to the Spirit of Yosemite**

The National Park Service is proud to announce the completion of a state-of-the-art theater and a new park film at the Yosemite Valley Visitor Center. The film, Spirit of Yosemite, provides an introduction to the stories behind Yosemite's grand beauty, extraordinary community of living things, American Indian culture, and history of wildland preservation. The 23-minute surround sound film, shot over a period of two years, makes a conscious effort to motivate Yosemite visitors to discover their own special connection with this magnificent national park. Spirit of Yosemite was made possible by donations from The Yosemite Fund and Yosemite National Park entrance fees.

This inspiring film is shown every hour on the halfhour from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Closed captioning available. Copies of the film are available for purchase on VHS tape in the Visitor Center. Portions of the proceeds benefit The Yosemite Fund and the Yosemite Association. &

#### **LeConte Memorial Lodge**

Open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (beginning May 1). Located at shuttle stop #12. The LeConte Memorial Lodge, Yosemite's first public visitor center, is operated by the Sierra Club and features a children's corner, library, and a variety of environmental education and evening programs. For more information, call 209/372-4542.

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### THURSDAY

10:00am Ranger Walk—Rivers of Ice 1-11/2 hrs. Pines Campgrounds

Shuttle stop #19 11:00am Children's Story Time

1 hr. The Ansel Adams Gallery Kids of all ages welcome. Those under 7 must be accompanied by an adult (AAG) &

5:00pm **75th Anniversary Ahwahnee Tour** 

1 hr. Sign up/meet at The Ahwahnee concierge desk

8:00pm **Evening Program** 

1 hr. Check local postings for venue (NPS)  $\mbox{\ensuremath{\pounds}}$ 

#### FRIDAY

10:00am Ranger Walk—Wildlife in Yosemite 1-1 $\frac{1}{2}$  hrs. Sentinel Bridge, shuttle stop #11 &

1:00pm Ranger Walk—Trees

 $1-1\frac{1}{2}$  hrs. The Ahwahnee, shuttle stop #3

5:30pm Spring Twilight Stroll (April 12 & May 3 only)

1 hr. The Ahwahnee outdoor patio (YCS) 8:00pm **Evening Program** 

1 hr. Check local postings for venue (YCS) &

### SATURDAY

8:00am Ranger Walk-

Yosemite is for the Birds 1-11/2 hrs. Yosemite Lodge (NPS)

9:00am Photography Walk

2 hrs. Space limited, sign up in advance Meet on The Ansel Adams Gallery porch weather permitting (AAG)

10:00am Ranger Walk—Granite and Ice

1-11/2 hrs. Lower Yosemite Fall parking area near shuttle stop #6

1:00pm Ranger Walk/Talk—Bears

1-11/2 hrs. Curry Village Amphitheater & 3:00pm Fine Print Viewing

1 hr. Space limited, sign up in advance

Meet in The Ansel Adams Gallery (AAG)

4:00pm Children's Story Time

1/2 hr. The Ansel Adams Gallery Nature stories geared for kids 10 and under Children must be accompanied by a parent (AAG/YCS) &

8:00pm Evening Program

1 hr. Check local postings for venue (NPS) &

**Evening Program-Yosemite Rockclimbing** (April 13 & 27 only)

Curry Village Mountain Shop (YCS/AAG) &

1 hr. LeConte Memorial Lodge (Sierra Club)

**Evening Program—** 

**3D Slide Show of National Parks** (May 4 only)

#### **NATIONAL PARK WEEK**

April 22 –26



National parks help connect us to places that tell the stories of what is truly special about America. Join me in celebrating our heritage during National Park Week.

David A. Mihalic Yosemite Superintendent

# Yosemite's Sequoia Groves

#### **Mariposa Grove**

The Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias, located at the southern-most end of Yosemite, is the largest stand of giant sequoias in the park (about 500 trees). Allow 11/4 hours driving time from Yosemite Valley. In early spring, the access road to the Grove may be closed due to snow. If it is closed, add an extra hour or two for the 2-mile walk from the South Entrance of the park to the Grove.

Cars are prohibited beyond the parking area; however, many giant sequoias can be seen from there. From the parking area, all trails in the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias are uphill. The trailhead is located at the far end of the parking area. Interpretive signs between the trailhead and the Grizzly Giant provide a self-guiding tour. Written translations of these signs are available at the trailhead (German, French, Spanish, Japanese).

### **Tram Tour**

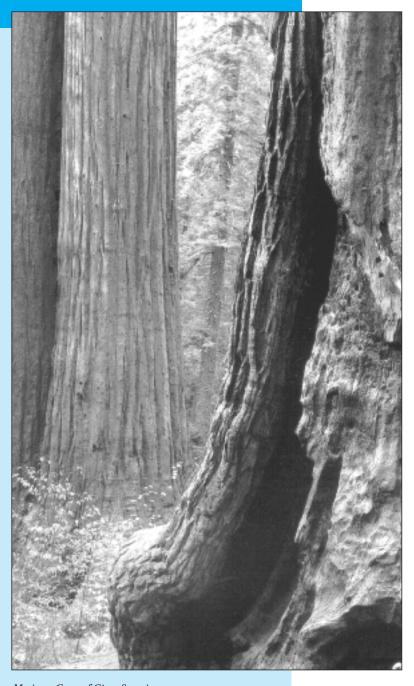
Beginning May 1 (weather permitting), trams operate daily for a 1-hour tour of the upper and lower grove.

#### **Merced Grove**

Yosemite's quietest stand of sequoias is the Merced Grove, accessible only on foot. It's a 2-mile hike or ski into the grove from the Big Oak Flat Road (Highway 120 West). Located 3.5 miles north of Crane Flat or 4.5 miles south of the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station, the trailhead is marked by a post labeled B-10 and a road sign. Allow about 3 hours for the 4-mile roundtrip hike or ski to this small group of sequoias (about 20 trees).

### **Tuolumne Grove**

The Tuolumne Grove of Giant Sequoias is near Crane Flat at the intersection of the Big Oak Flat Road and the Tioga Road. The former route of the old Big Oak Flat Road leads downhill from Crane Flat into the Tuolumne Grove, a cluster of about 25 sequoias. Now closed to cars, this 2-mile round-trip walk is relatively easy, depending on conditions; however, it is moderately strenuous on the uphill return.



Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias Photo by Larry Ulrich

# Wawona

#### **Free Shuttle Bus**

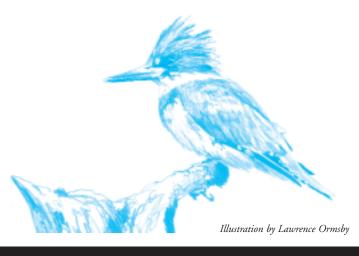
Beginning April 20 (road and weather conditions permitting), you can ride the free shuttle bus to the Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias. This service will operate daily from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with stops originating at the Wawona Store.

#### **Pioneer Yosemite History Center**

Walk across the covered bridge and visit historic buildings out of Yosemite's past. A visit to the Pioneer Yosemite History Center will explain how Yosemite was the inspiration for national parks across America and throughout the world. The Center is always open, and explanatory signs and brochures are available. &

#### **Big Oak Flat Information Station**

Beginning April 12, open daily 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (closed for lunch). Station is located just inside the park at the Big Oak Flat Entrance Station (Highway 120 West), and offers park orientation material, trail information, books, and maps. Phone 209/379-1899. &



# Park Facilities and Services

#### **ATM**

#### **Yosemite Village**

South of Village Store (Bank of America) Inside Village Store

#### **Yosemite Lodge**

Inside main registration area

#### **Curry Village**

Inside gift/grocery store

#### Wawona

Inside Wawona Store

## **El Portal**

On Hwy. 140 at Yosemite View Lodge (County Bank)

#### **Babysitting**

Limited babysitting available for registered guests at Yosemite Lodge and The Ahwahnee. Call front desk or concierge for additional information.

#### **Food & Beverage Service**

These hours of operation are approximate. Current hours of operation are posted at each front desk or facility.

#### YOSEMITE VILLAGE

#### Degnan's Delicatessen

7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### The Loft at Degnan's

Noon to 9:00 p.m.

#### **Village Grill**

Opens for the season April 12 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## **YOSEMITE LODGE**

**Food Court** 

Breakfast - 6:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Lunch/Dinner - 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### Mountain Room Bar & Lounge

4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. weekdays Noon to 10:00 p.m. weekends

### **Mountain Room Restaurant**

#### 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

#### **CURRY VILLAGE Coffee Corner**

6:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. lce cream service begins April 20 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

#### **Pavilion Buffet**

Breakfast Buffet-7:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Dinner Buffet-5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### Pizza Patio

5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. weekdays Noon to 9:00 p.m. weekends Beginning April 13 Noon to 9:00 p.m. daily

# **Patio Bar**

4:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. weekdays Noon to 9:30 p.m. weekends

#### THE AHWAHNEE

# **Dining Room**

Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Sunday Brunch - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Dinner - 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Reservations and appropriate attire are respectfully requested, 209/372-1489

#### **Ahwahnee Bar**

11:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

#### **WAWONA HOTEL**

#### **Dining Room**

Breakfast - 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Sunday Buffet - 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch - 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Dinner – 5:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Reservations taken for 8 or more. 209/375-1425

#### **Gas Stations**

# **Crane Flat**

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Diesel available Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Diesel available Pay at the pump 24 hours with credit or debit card

#### Groceries

#### **Yosemite Lodge Gift/Grocery** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Village Store** 

8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### Degnan's Delicatessen

7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **Housekeeping Camp Store**

Opens for the season April 26 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **Curry Village Gift/Grocery**

8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

#### **Crane Flat Store**

9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **El Portal Market** 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Wawona Grocery Store** 

## 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### Gifts, Books, & Apparel

#### YOSEMITE VILLAGE

#### **The Ansel Adams Gallery** 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Yosemite Bookstore** 

#### 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Village Store** 

#### 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Habitat Yosemite** 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **Sport Shop**

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **YOSEMITE LODGE** Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Nature Shop** 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### THE AHWAHNEE

**Gift Shop** 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. **Sweet Shop** 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

#### **CURRY VILLAGE**

Mountain Shop 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Gift/Grocery 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

### **MARIPOSA GROVE**

**Gift Shop** 

Opens for the season April 29, weather permitting 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### **WAWONA**

**Pioneer Gift Shop/Grocery** 

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

#### **Golf Shop**

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **Showers & Laundromat**

#### **SHOWERS**

Curry Village 24 hours

#### **LAUNDROMAT**

Housekeeping Camp 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### Recycling

**Village Store Recycling Center** 

Noon to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday. Bottles and cans may also be returned to place of purchase or park gas stations.

#### **Post Offices**

### Main Post Office - Yosemite Village

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 10:00 a.m. to Noon

#### **Yosemite Lodge Post Office** Monday - Thursday: 11:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Friday: 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

### **Wawona Post Office**

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

#### **El Portal Post Office**

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### Auto Service, Towing, and Repair (AAA)

#### Village Garage

8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., closed for lunch. Towing 24 hours. Emergency gasoline & propane available until 4:00 p.m. 209/372-8320

#### **Service Organizations**

Yosemite Valley: Wednesday 7:00 p.m. YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center) Yosemite Village

#### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

Yosemite Valley: Sunday, Tuesday, and Thursday 7:30 p.m., YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center), Yosemite Village

#### **Narcotics Anonymous**

Yosemite Valley: Saturday 7:30 p.m. YCS General Office Building (Employee Training Center). Yosemite Village

#### **Lions Club**

Meets first and third Thursdays of each month at noon, The Ahwahnee. Call 209/372-4475 for information.

#### **Rotary International**

Meets Thursdays for lunch at noon in The Ahwahnee Mural Room. Visiting Rotarian families and guests welcome. For meeting reservations or information, call 209/372-1016.

#### **Religious Services**

#### YOSEMITE COMMUNITY CHURCH

(Nondenominational Christian) Pastor Brent Moore 209/372-4831

**Yosemite Valley Chapel** (year-round) Worship Service and Children's Church

Sunday 9:15 a.m., Thursday 7:00 p.m.

**Special Service** May 5, Marriage Renewal 9:15 a.m. &

#### 11:00 a.m. **ROMAN CATHOLIC**

Rev. Raymond J. Duffy 209/372-4729

#### **Mass in Yosemite Valley**

Visitor Center West Auditorium Sunday 10:00 a.m.

#### **CROSSWAY CHURCH**

(Christian Protestant) Pastor Steve Hughes 209/379-2428 Asst. Director Marcie Abernathy

#### **Worship Service**

Sunday 7:00 p.m., Yosemite Chapel **Bible Study** 

#### Wednesday 7:00 p.m., Girl's Club/Library **EL PORTAL COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Pastor Russ Marsh 209/379-2255

Worship Service Saturday 7:30 p.m. El Portal Chapel (first and third weekends) Sunday 10:30 a.m., El Portal Chapel (second, fourth, and fifth weekends)

#### **WAWONA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**

Pastor David Adamcik 209/966-3039

**Wawona Community Center Worship Service** 

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study Wednesday 1:00 p.m.



Bridalveil Fall NPS Photo

# **General Park** Information

# **Emergency 911**

Fire - Police - Medical Emergency: Dial 911,

24 hours a day (from hotel room 9-911)

# Medical

# **Yosemite Medical Clinic**

Emergency care: 24 hours daily

#### **Drop-in and Urgent Care** Daily 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Scheduled Appointments** Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Located on Ahwahnee Drive in Yosemite Valley, the clinic provides routine and emergency medical care for park employees, residents, and visitors. Experienced nursing staff, emergency physicians, nurse practitioner, and support staff on duty. Services include a limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, and physical therapy. Services include a limited pharmacy, lab, x-ray, physical therapy, and Mountain Crisis Services for victims of

#### domestic violence. 209/372-4637 Paramedic/Ambulance Service

24 hours daily

# **Dental Services**

Adjacent to Medical Clinic. For hours, call 209/372-4200. If no answer, call 209/372-4637.

# **5** Services For Disabled

An accessibility brochure is available at park entrance stations and visitor centers.

Wheelchair rental available at Yosemite Medical Clinic, 209/372-4637.

# **Accommodations**

For advanced reservations or information (rooms or activities), call 559/252-4848. (www.yosemitepark.com) For availability on day of arrival, check at any front desk.

#### **Bear Canister Rental**

Available at the Curry Village Mountain Shop, Village Sport Shop, Crane Flat Store, and Wawona Store. Canisters may be rented or returned at any rental location in the park.

### Recreation

Conditions permitting

#### **BICYCLE RENTAL Yosemite Lodge**

weather permitting

10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. **Curry Village** Opens for the season April 26,

# 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**STABLE** 

**Yosemite Lodge Tour Desk** 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Yosemite Village Tour Kiosk** 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

#### **Curry Village Tour Kiosk** 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Yosemite Valley** Located at shuttle stop #18 Opens for the season April 19 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

#### YOSEMITE MOUNTAINEERING **SCHOOL AND GUIDE SERVICE**

8:30 a.m. to Noon, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. For advanced reservations only, call 209/372-8344.